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MINUTES
—OF THE—
THIRTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
—OF THE—
CALHOUN
Baptist Association

—HELD WITH—
Midway Church
SEPTEMBER 20-22, 1905.

OFFICERS:

Moderator, A. A. BRUNER Pittsboro.
Clerk, J. J. HALLUM, Burke.
Treasurer, B. J. HASTING, Old Town.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

G. W. RILEY, J. F. MCKIBBEN AND J. H. GORE.

The next session to be held with Antioch church, four miles southeast
of Banner, Calhoun county, Miss. Wednesday after the third Sunday in
September 1906 —Introductory sermon by S. E. Wallace; alternate, J.
F. McKibben.

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Rev. J. H. McKim,
Pine Valley,
Miss.

Missionary Directory.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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Corresponding Secretary.

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Corresponding Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE

List of Preachers Ordained.

B. Freach,	-	-	-	-	Alt Mount, Miss.
A. J. Gaines,	-	-	-	-	Banner, "
J. M. Hendrix,	-	-	-	-	Bi-hop, "
J. A. Killingsworth,	-	-	-	-	Pittsboro, "
E. McGregor,	-	-	-	-	Reid, "
J. F. McKibben	-	-	-	-	Ellard, "
J. P. Mitchell,	-	-	-	-	Randolph, "
G. W. Riley,	-	-	-	-	Sarepta, "
J. L. Roane,	-	-	-	-	Banner, "
J. L. Roberts,	-	-	-	-	Randolph, "
J. R. Sumner,	-	-	-	-	Pittsboro, "
J. W. Trusty,	-	-	-	-	Youngs, "
S. E. Wallace,	-	-	-	-	Old Town, "
T. H. Winter	-	-	-	-	Ellzey, "
G. W. Wright,	-	-	-	-	Bi-hop, "

Licensed.

A. F. Brasher,	-	-	-	-	Bishop, Miss.
Jas Collins,	-	-	-	-	Pittsboro, "
Sam Ellis,	-	-	-	-	Hollis, "
J. J. Hallum,	-	-	-	-	Burke, "
J. M. Keenum,	-	-	-	-	Pittsboro, "
G. A. Martin,	-	-	-	-	Furke, "
J. H. McGregor	-	-	-	-	Reid, "
C. B. Smith,	-	-	-	-	Ran-to'ph "
J. F. Stafford,	-	-	-	-	Randolph "
G. M. Williams,	-	-	-	-	Pine Valiey "

Order of Business.

- 1—Called to order and devotional exercises.
- 2—Reading letters and enrollment.
- 3—Election of officers.
- 4—Petitionary letters.
- 5—Correspondence received.
- 6—Report of committees.
- 7—Miscellaneous business.

Churches, Pastors and Clerks.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	P. O.	CLERK.	P. O.
Air Mount	J. R. Sumner	Pittsboro	Hellen Wortham	Air Mount
Antioch	J. L. Reane	Banner	J. G. Henry	Elf
Banner	D. F. Hoyle		L. M. Howell	Banner
Bethel			R. B. McCord	
Concord	J. F. McKibben	Ellard	Ed Williams	Ellard
Duncan Hill	S. E. Wallace	Old Town	M. W. Spraberry	Derna
Driver's Flat	J. M. Head	Paris	W. M. Martin	Paris
Dividing Ridge	White	Slate Springs	C. C. Hill	Youngs
Elam	W. H. Carder	Enid	H. P. Pate	Coffeenville
Friendship	T. H. Winter	Ellzey	S. T. Hawkins	Timberville
Gaston Springs	G. W. Riley	Sarepta	E. R. Pilgreen	Pittsboro
Hebron	J. P. Mitchell	Randolph	J. L. Johnson	Randolph
Hopewell (Pon)	J. P. Mitchell	Randolph	H. Brunsett	Buckhorn
Hopewell (Yal)	J. F. McKibben	Ellard	W. H. Evans	Sayles
Liberty				
London Hill	D. F. Hoyle		J. D. Sartor	Paris
Macedonia	G. W. Riley	Sarepta	J. H. Powell	Pittsboro
Merdian	J. F. McKibben	Ellard	E. L. vanland'ham	Loyd
Midway	A. C. Ball	Mantee	J. M. Blue	Vanrish
Mt. Comfort	G. W. Riley	Sarepta	W. A. Ellison	Freedom
Mt. Moriah	J. M. Hendrix	Bishop	J. E. Bratton	Bishop
Mt. Taber	S. E. Wallace	Old Town	J. E. Martin	Burke
New Liberty	J. R. Sumner	Pittsboro		
	G. A. Martin	Burke	J. L. Lucas	Hollis
New Prospect	J. R. Sumner	Pittsboro	J. H. Lester	Bowles
Old Town	S. E. Wallace	Old Town	B. J. Hastings	Old Town
Pilgrims Rest [Cal]	J. M. Hendrix	Bishop	Andy Brasher	Pitts
Pine Grove	J. W. Jones	Tilatobia	G. E. J. Brewer	Coffeenville
Pittsboro	J. R. Sumner	Pittsboro	A. A. Bruner	Pittsboro

MINUTES OF THE

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	P. O.	CLERK.	P. O.
Pleasant Grove	T. H. Winter	Elzey	J. T. Richards	Thorn
Pleasant Ridge	T. H. Winter	Elzey	G. J. Bridewell	Sarepta
Poplar Springs	J. L. Roane	Banner	W. A. Patterson	Reid
Previdence				
Rocky Mount	E. McGregor	Reid	J. O. Brown	Reid
Sarepta	G. W. Riley	Sarepta	J. B. Phillips	Sarepta
Spring Creek	A. C. Mason	Sarepta	J. N. Province	Coles Creek
Turkey Creek	J. L. Roane	Banner	B. M. Blount	Banner
Vardaman	J. L. Roane	Banner	E. H. Reynolds	Trusty
			J. E. Powell	Timberville

Churches and Messengers.

AIR MOUNT.

ANTIOCH.

H. S. McComie,
J. L. Roane,
J. M. Roane,
J. L. Heary.

BANNER.

J. H. Gore,
Joe Gaines,
H. W. Seal.

BETHEL.

J. S. Bailey,
J. R. Sweatt,
R. P. McCord.

CONCORD.

J. F. McKibben,
Jack Kimbrell,
Calvin Jenkins,
Billie Stillman.

DUNCAN HILL.

F. C. Thompson.

M. W. Sprayberry.

J. W. Harville.

DIVIDING RIDGE.

DRIVERS FLAT.

Bent Martin.

ELAM.

W. Gum.

F. H. Jones.

FRIENDSLIP.

T. H. Winter.

R. M. Stark.

S. T. Hawkins.

GASTON SPRINGS.

Will Wright.

Bud Morgan.

HEBRON.

J. P. Mitchel.

J. L. Johnston.

HOPEWELL, (Pon. Co.)

G. B. McGregor.

J. W. Crittington.

CALHOUN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

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J. F. Hughes,
E. B. Brower,
J. S. Brower.

LIBERTY.

LONDON HILL,
E. J. Sartor.

MACEDONIA.

J. S. Kea,
Jas. Morgan
C. K. H. Bruns.

M. RIDIAN.

B. Murphree,
J. Christian,
D. Gillespie.

MT. COMFORT.

J. W. Ellison.

MT. MORIAL.

W. J. Crocker.

MT. TABOR.

J. J. Hallums,
John Parker.

MIDWAY.

M. K. Gilder,
J. D. Langston,
W. B. Wells.

NEW LIBERTY.

J. W. Whittle,
J. R. Lucas

NEW PROSPECT.

G. H. Hannaford.

OLD TOWN.

S. E. Wallace.

J. J. Ford,
B. J. Hasting,
M. C. Stribbling.

PINE GROVE.

Geo. R. Brewer,
J. C. Long,

PILGRIM REST.

E. J. Eastey,
Chas. Barfield,
J. D. Collums.

PITTSBORO.

J. A. Clements,
J. R. Sumner,
A. A. Bräner,
J. P. Bene.

PLEASANT GROVE.

J. T. Richards,
H. H. Griffin.

PLEASANT RIDGE.

H. D. Goad.

POPLAR SPRINGS.

J. S. Morgan
W. A. Patterson,
J. S. Wooten.

PROVIDENCE.

ROCKY MOUNT.

J. J. Burt.
T. W. Hill.

SAREPTA.

G. W. Riley,
J. B. Martin,
J. B. Phillips,
A. B. Henderson.

SHILOH.

W. M. Moore.

SPRING CREEK.

J. A. Bell.

Sam Davis.

G. M. Williams.

TURKEY CREEK.

Henry Newman.

VARDAMAN.

W. S. Johnson.

C. S. Johnson.

VISITORS.

T. N. MOODY.

Trinity Association.

J. C. PARKER.

Yallobusha Association.

MINUTES.

SEPT. 20th 1905

The Calhoun Baptist Association met this day with the Midway church, and was called to order by the moderator, A. A. Bruner, who conducted a devotional exercise, in which he read a part of the 53rd chapter of Isaiah and a number of brethren led in earnest petitions for the manifest presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

In the absence of the Clerk, J. J. Hallum was elected temporary Clerk.

G. W. Riley and H. S. McComie were appointed reading clerks. They proceeded to read all the letters handed in at this time.

A. T. Smith T. H. Winter and J. M. Blue were appointed to take a vote of the Association for permanent officers. They reported the following brethren elected: A. A. Bruner, Moderator; J. J. Hallum, Clerk, and B. J. Hasting, Treasurer. The Association then adjourned to hear the introductory sermon, which was preached by J. R. Sumner Text—1st Cor. 12:7. Theme: the manifestation of the Holy Spirit.

First Day—Afternoon Session.

The moderator called the association to order at 1 o'clock, and he requested J. L. Roane to lead in prayer for more laborers to be sent into the Lord's harvest.

H. S. McComie being absent, J. H. Gore was appointed to assist G. W. Riley in reading the remainder of the letters.

Bethel and Vardaman churches, which had been organized since the last association, presented petitionary letters and were received into the association.

T. N. Moody led in thanksgiving to God for His blessing upon the churches of the association during the year just ended.

J. J. Hallum read the report on Sunday School. It was discussed by J. R. Sumner, J. F. McKibben, S. E. Wallace, J. L. Roane, J. A. Killingsworth and adopted.

Special prayer was then offered for more laborers for all departments of our work in the churches.

J. A. Killingsworth, J. F. McKibben and J. H. Gore were appointed to report on nominations.

G. H. Hannaford, J. J. Ford and J. M. Blue were appointed to arrange the preaching services during the sittings of the association. Adjourned to 8:30 tomorrow morning. Benediction by T. H. Winter.

Second Day—Morning Session.

Devotional services conducted by W. A. Patterson from 8:30 to 9 o'clock. Minutes of first day read and approved.

Report on State and Home Missions read by J. F. McKibben, report on Foreign Missions read by G. W. Riley, discussed by J. R. Sumner, A. T. Smith, T. N. Moody and A. A. Bruner. After amendment to the report on Home Missions, all adopted.

Report on State of Religion read by J. A. Killingsworth; discussed by him, and adopted.

Report on Publications read by J. R. Sumner.

During the discussion, adjourned for preaching and dinner. Sermon by G. W. Riley on the Atonement.

Second Day—Afternoon Session.

Prayer by J. F. McKibben, G. W. Riley led a special prayer by request, for J. H. Goar, who took sick during the intermission.

MINUTES OF THE

Discussion of the report on publication resumed. Discussed by G. W. Riley, T. H. Winter, J. F. McKibben, A. A. Bruner, S. E. Wallace; amended and adopted.

Report on women's work read by Miss Tina Pate discussed by J. R. Sumner, J. F. McKibben, G. D. Cullum, J. A. Killingsworth, J. L. Roane A. A. Bruner; and adopted.

Report on prohibition read by Miss Mattie Ford. Discussed by J. R. Sumner, S. E. Wallace, T. N. Moody, C. K. H. Byars, J. A. Killingsworth, A. A. Bruner; amended and adopted.

Adjourned to 8:30 Friday morning. Dismissed by T. N. Moody.

Third Day—Morning Session.

Devotional services conducted by J. M. Roane from 8:30 to 9 o'clock.

Report on Mississippi College and education read by J. R. Sumner, discussed by J. R. Sumner, G. W. Riley, J. A. Killingsworth, J. F. McKibben, A. A. Bruner, J. L. Roane; amended and adopted.

J. R. Sumner brought before the Association some thing of the Leed of J. W. Trusty, A. J. Gaines and B. French; and urged the messengers to bring the matter before their respective churches, and try to get a liberal contribution from each member of every church in the Association for these worthy, but somewhat dependant brethren.

Report on pastoral support read by C. K. H. Byars, discussed by J. R. Sumner, J. M. Williams, M. C. Stribbling, C. K. H. Byars, A. A. Bruner; and adopted.

G. W. Riley read the report on Orphan Home, discussed by G. W. Riley. The Association then joyfully gave \$28.60 for the home, and \$8.25 for A. J. Gaines.

Adjourned for preaching and dinner.

J. L. Roane preach on Unity in Christian work as a result of a belief of the word of God and the word of the Holy Spirit in human hearts and lives.

J. R. Sumner, A. T. Smith and J. A. Clements were ap-

Churches.

Churches.	Day of Meeting	Increase			Decrease			Total	Byrd and arrange a list of ap- s of this association. minute Fund. ial report for the commit- d as far as read. The com- plete the work assigned ates the treasurer's report, which was order
		Baptized	Letter	Restored	Letter	Excluded	Died		
Air Mount.	10	4	2	2	3	2		43 400	
Antioch	3	1				1	2	86	
Banner	2	1	11	6	12				
Bethel	11								
Concord									
Pinean R.									
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Committees.

Dividing Foreign Missions, Gaston Springs, Home and State Mis-
Elam sions, Pittsboro; Publications, Elam; Prohibition, Antioch;
Friend Sunday Schools, Poplar Springs; Orphans Home, Sarepta; State
Gaston of Religion, New Liberty; Mi-s. College and Education, Mt.
Hebre Comfort; Women's Work, Mt. Tabo; Pastoral Support, New
Hope Prospect.

Messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention is J. A. Kil-
lingsworth, J. L. Roane, alternate.

Resolutions.

J. A. Killingsworth offered the following resolution which
was adopted by the association: Resolved that the association
hereby instruct the executive committee to take such steps as it
may deem advisable to aid in the establishment of churches on
the railroad in Calhoun county.

G. W. Riley offered the following resolution which was
adopted: Whereas there is complaint among some of our
churches because of some others of our churches receiving into
their membership excluded members; and whereas, we as an as-
sociation believe this to be wrong, in that it is calculated to des-
troy the union and fellowship among our churches, Therefore
Resolved, That we recommend to the churches that they cease
the practice entirely.

The association adopted the following resolution:

Resolved that the sincere thanks of this association are due
and are hereby tendered to Midway church and community for
their excellent hospitality to us while here.

Resolved that the Clerk's publication resumed. Discussion of the minutes, and then, J. F. McKibben, A. A. Brumvices. and adopted.

Resolved that any member at by Miss Tina Pate discussed association present at the McKibben, G. D. Collum, J. A. Killingscorrespond, is at liberty Bruner; and adopted

tation of a minute or any read by Miss Mattie Ford. Discussion Adjourned to meet with a church body, K. H. Byars, east of Banner Wednesday after the third Sunday in Sept.

Amounts Asked of Each Church By The Executive Board.

Each church is perfectly free to contribute to State, Home or Foreign Missions, or to the orphanage as it may prefer. And amount contributed to any of these objects by any church will be used as designated by the church making such contributions, and will be counted on the amount asked for.

AIR MOUNT	\$8 00	LONDON HILL	\$5 00
ANTIOCH	12 50	MACEDONIA	20 00
BANNER	25 00	MERIDIAN	15 00
BETHEL	5 00	MIDWAY	20 00
CONCORD	25 00	MT. COMFORT	20 00
DUNCAN HILL	7 50	MT. MORIAH	10 00
DRIVERS FLAT	5 00	MT. TABOR	20 00
DIVIDING RIDGE	5 00	NEW LIBERTY	15 00
ELAM	30 00	NEW PROSPECT	10 00
FRIENDSHIP	12 50	OLD TOWN	15 00
GASTON SPRINGS	15 00	PRILGRIM'S REST (Cal.)	8 00
HEBRON	12 50	PRILGRIM'S REST (Yal.)	5 00
HOPEWELL (Pon.)	12 50	PINE GROVE	7 50
HOPEWELL (Yal.)	10 00	PITTSBORO	30 00
LIBERTY	7 50	PLEASANT GROVE	7 50
PLEASANT RIDGE	7 50	POPLAR SPRINGS	30 00
PROVIDENCE	10 00	ROCKY MOUNT	10 00
SAREPTA	20 00	SHILOH	15 00
SPRING CREEK	15 00	TURKEY CREEK	20 00
VARDAMAN	5 00		

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Churches.

Churches.	Day of Meeting	Increase Baptized	Restored Letter	Decrease Excluded	Died	Total	Value of Church Property.	Pastor's Salary	Minister's Paid Visiting	Minutes	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	State Missions
Air Mount.	10	4	2	2	3	2	43	400	\$ 75	12.65	30	1.00			
Antioch	3	1			1	2	86			1.55	\$1.50	7.55	.05	1.25	
Banner	2	1	11	6	12	2	66			1.25	25				
Bethel	5									1.00					
Concord	5	3	7	6	4	10	2	1		2.00	16.00	9.00	1.00		
Puncan Hill	5	1	4			2	1	55		.50		5.00			
Drivers Flat		1													
Dividing Ridge															
Elam		4	7	5	1	5	3	1	100	800	125	1.65	42.75	17.25	
Friendship		4	8	12				124		1.00		*8 00			
Gaston Springs	9	1	1	2		1	102	50		1.30	9.20			4.00	
Hebron		1			9		70			.60					
Hopewell (Pon)		4	6	2	1	2	2	1	63		1.15			8.00	
Hopewell (Yal)		1					300			1.50		*5.00			
Liberty															
London Hill		4			1		65			1.00		7.00			
Macedonia		3			2	3	1	99	300	75	5.75	1.25	7.40	4.50	8.50
Meridian		4	9	5			2	87	281	56	8.00	1.20	2.40	2.45	2.45
Midway	3	3	2	4	1	2	1	173	500	100	1.50		10.70	5.00	
Mt. Comfort	3	4		1	1	3	1	53	50	4.75	1.00	4.50	4.75	12.00	
Mt. Mornah		3	3	2	1	1	2	119			1.10	3.25			
Mt. Tabor		4	6	1			139	500	50	3.00	1.20	7.10	6.00		
New Liberty	9	3	11	4		2	1	80	400	75	1.50	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70
New Prospect	6	2	2		2	5	2	44	400	50	7.50	.50	6.90	1.35	5.10
Old Town		3		1	1	3	3	92	500	50	1.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	.50
Pilgrim Rest (Cal)		4			1		1	70			1.50		*.75		.40
Pilgrim Rest (Yal)															
Pine Grove		1	17	3	1		95	37.35		1.20	1.20		6.00		
Pittsboro		1-3		7	3	1	1	63	500	200	74.10	1.60	10.65	8.35	39.36
Pleasant Grove		3					35			1.00		6.00			\$10
Pleasant Ridge		1	2		1		500	8.40		1.60	8.00		4.00		
Poplar Springs		3	12	6	4	2	161	800		2.75	25.30				
Providence															
Rocky Mount		1	6	3	7	5	1	105			1.00	2 00	2.00	1.00	
Sarepta		2		11	1	1	1	89	700	10.60	1.00	9.25	8.00	20.70	
Shiloh		1	1		4	1	67	500		1.00	5.00		15.00		
Spring Creek		4	7		12	3	1	102			1.65	1.40	8.75		
Turkey Creek	7	2	11	8	1	3	3	138			1.65	10.50	2.50	3.25	
Vardaman				1			8			.90					

Debris & Remains

(STATISTICAL TABLE CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE.)

Total baptized 135; received by letter, 92; restored, 10; dismissed by letter, 90; Excluded, 42; died, 13; total membership 2593.

The amounts marked in column with (*) the church did not indicate in its letter to what missions.

Drivers Flat letter was not in the hand of the Clerk when making up the Minutes.

Hopewell, Yallobusha county, Pittsburg, New Prospect, Mt. Tabor, Elam, Turkey Creek, Sarepta and Shiloh reported Sunday Schools,

Report on Sunday Schools.

We are taught to bring our children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. God says, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might". Jesus says "this is the first and greatest commandment". God further says, "These words, which I command thee this day shall be in thine heart, and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up". Having received such a command, we ought to have a Sunday School in every church, because it is one of the best places to teach our children the Bible. We beg that every pastor impress this duty upon his churches.

MT. TABOR CHURCH.

Report on Home and State Missions.

Through the Providence of God and with manifold mercies from our Heavenly Father, the Home Mission Board presents the sixtieth annual report of its stewardship to the Southern Baptist Convention. In all these years and God has never failed us. He was with our fathers, nor has he forsaken their sons. Enlargement has been the reward of the years work. Every department has been vibrant with this expanding idea. The Home Board has all along been moved by the aggressive thought, and for the two years past the convention has tingled with noble en-

thusiasm for larger things. But it was at Nashville that the convention moved out into the open sea of opportunity. The convention said to the Home Board "Through you and by the help of God we shall take this Southland for the Baptist, go forward. It was enough for the Board, it was a clear bugle blast. At once the appropriations of the Board were increased nearly fifty per cent over any previous year. In the cities among the foreigners, in the mountain school work, in Cuba and in the work among the negroes as well as in our church building department, we have made great enlargements. No just and complete account of all the work of our faithful missionaries can be put to record and spread before the eye in statistical tables. The least of their labors are those that can be reduced to figures. At the same time we gladly present the following summary of work and statistical table:

SUMMARY OF WORK.

Missionaries	-	-	-	-	-	718
Weeks of Labor	-	-	-	-	-	23,219
Churches and Stations	-	-	-	-	-	2,222
Sermons and Addresses	-	-	-	-	-	88,016
Prayer Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	13,765
Baptisms	-	-	-	-	-	10,551
Received by Letter	-	-	-	-	-	10,019
Total additions	-	-	-	-	-	20,570
Churches constituted	-	-	-	-	-	219
Houses of worship built and improved	-	-	-	-	-	205
Sunday Schools organized	-	-	-	-	-	539
Bibles and Testaments distributed	-	-	-	-	-	24,354
Tracts distributed, pages	-	-	-	-	-	2,746,232

STATE MISSIONS.—Thirty-two years ago this theme first took definite shape in the mind of Mississippi from the standpoint of our convention. It did not, however, for a year longer make headway enough to give distinctive character. Year by year the wisdom of the action of the convention in 1873 became more and more manifest as the board grappled with difficult sit-

uation in town and country. In some localities the effort to establish our cause has been prolonged on account of being so late to take hold religiously. At other places we have succeeded beyond our most sanguine expectations, and in some overwhelming exhibition of divine power the cause has been in a little while not only self-supporting, but largely helpful to others. Whether the time demanded, however, be long or short, we have in every instance been able to record more or less success in our work in planting churches in Mississippi, the records with gratitude to all who have stood by it, its unfeigned delight in the support of a confiding and helpful constituency. Another year has brought our board and the people whom it serves to a point where we must give account to each other as we shall by and by account for what we have done to Him who sits on the throne. We submit here a comparative statement of work in state missions since the new century began:

	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904
S. M.	\$8,763.55	\$9,656.44	\$11,765.49	\$13,799.03	\$15,391.02
	988.30	7,128.21	307.90	129.85	1,859.70
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Respectfully submitted,

CONCORD CHURCH.

Report on Foreign Missions.

Your committee would report last year as a great one on our Foreign Fields. God's blessings came to the lost abundantly where the gospel was preached. Missions has God for its author, who sent his son to redeem the world, and as the Holy Spirit impressed Paul and Barnabas to carry the gospel to the lost, so he impresses men today. We have had the Divine blessings on our work in the past, and as we increase our efforts God wonderfully increases his blessings on the work. As a proof of that fact, last year we made the largest contribution ever made with the greatest success we have ever had. The con-

tribution last conventional year amounted to \$283,415.88. Notwithstanding the great increase in the expenses on account of the enlarged work there was no deficit reported. That we may get some idea of the growth of the work in the last ten years we give here some comparisons as taken from the report of the board last year. In 1895 we had 91 missionaries now 181; then 89 native helpers, now 269; then 85 churches, now 194; then 581 Baptisms, this year 2231. We see by these comparisons that God is wonderfully blessing our small efforts to obey his great command to give the gospel to the world. While we rejoice from the fact that we as an association are making some advancements all along the line but not according to our ability and opportunity. Let us lift up our eyes on the fields that are so white to harvest by informing ourselves of the great need of giving the gospel to the lost millions of earth, also with what great success God is crowning our efforts. As the best means of information on this line we would recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, and would urge everyone to subscribe for and read it.

Respectfully submitted.

SAREPTA CHURCH.

Report on State of Religion

Or in other words, what is the spiritual status of all our churches, the membership as a whole of the churches in our association: In answering these questions we should lay aside false pride and preconceived opinions and think what God wants us to think, do what God wants us to do. In order to do these things, we need to understand God's word and have a revelation of God's Spirit in our hearts and lives, that we may judge justly the fruit springing from the lives of those professing religion or claiming to be the disciples of our Savior. Disciple means a follower in act, deed, word and thought. This brings about that unity fellowship that have existed in the Trinity and that Jesus prayed might reign among his disciples. The very strong spirit of world'y mindedness that is so prominent in our churches is to be looked upon with fear and dread by those who love and serve the Master. But we hear it said, we are making in many

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So we are growing rapidly in membership, slowly in christian work and development. Our last statistics show a membership of 3046. These gave

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To S. M.	\$12.15,	"	.004	" "
Orphanage	101.45,	"	.03	" "
General Missions	74.25,	"	.02	" "
For All Purposes	407.70,	"	.13	per Capita.

Ah! but one says, "Probably about 10 per cent of the church membership gave the above." Well, there so it may be, but what about the 90 per cent that are doing nothing for the great cause for which Christ died? Are they following Him as they promised to do when He redeemed them from the curse of law? The Master said, "By their fruits ye shall know them." "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

Should the spirit that moved John the revelator, while on the isle of Patmos, to send a message to the seven churches of Asia, send a message from the Eternal world to the churches of the Calhoun association, what be that message? Would it be like the one to the church at Ephesus, which had left its "first love", or like the church at Sardis to which he said "Thou hast a name that thou livest and art dead". We imagine the saddest spectacle in God's vast domain is a dead church; the poorest object in the kingdom of heaven the man or woman whose christian work ceased on "The banks of the Jordan". Again it seems that the discipline in many churches is fraught with much evil, easy to get in the church but hard to get out. We hear of adultery, drunkenness, lying, backbiting, bearing false witness against a brother and many other sins in the catalogue of sin at which God has thundered His anathemas, being charged against those holding church membership. No wonder the cause of Christ is languishing in some places. Unless we guard with care the door

into the church and enforce with vigilance the discipline laid down in the "New Testament" we may see the time when the worldly minded will be in the majority, and such a thing as New Testament discipline be out of the question. When a church reaches this point she ceases to be a church of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. KILLINGSWORTH. For Gaston Springs Church.

Publications.

Thought leads to decision, decision induces action, repeated action makes habit, habit moulds character, and character fixes destiny. We will think. Our thoughts will be base and debasing, or they will be elevated toward God, and elevating. What we read directs our thoughts. Since what we think is so important, we ought to be very cautious as to what we read. Every parent should select with great care what he wants his child to read. That which leads to vile thoughts should be rejected as we would throw away the contents of a cup which contains a deadly poison.

The Bible is the only absolutely safe book. Other publications are safe only as they follow the Bible in its approval and disapproval of principles and practices. Hence the Bible is the standard by which the moral phase of every publication must be judged, if we expect to arrive at right conclusions.

Your committee, therefore urges that the bible is the standard by which all human opinions, creeds and actions are to be tested. We should never neglect the study of the Bible to read any production of man. Every publication that fails to aid in the application of some principle set forth by the Bible should be carefully rejected.

For information in regard to our coöperative denominational work in this state there is nothing equal to the Baptist, published at Jackson Miss. The work of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is kept before the people by the Home Field, at Atlanta, Ga., for ten cents a year. The Foreign Mission Journal is published monthly by the Foreign

Mission Board, Richmond, Va., for thirty-five cents a year. In this is printed much valuable information about the Board's work among the heathen. The Expositor and Journal edited by E. L. Wesson, of Sardis, Miss., and published by the Southern Publishing Company, Memphis, Tenn. occupies an important place in our denominational work in this and other states. The Orphan's Gem ought to be in every Baptist home in the State.

Report on Woman's work

Since the organization of the W. M. W. so short a time ago, great things have been done for the Master by our Southern Baptist women, who have ever heeded the call, "Go forward", which is the motto of the organization. As yet the organization is young and timid, being only a blushing maiden of seventeen. Yet, notwithstanding her timidity she is bold and brave for Christ. Already she works like a veteran and her strength and abilities are increasing at an astonishingly rapid rate.

What are some of the things she does? She works for missions—Home, State and Foreign—works for ministerial education, works for the poor at home, works for the education of missionaries children; in short, she works for Christ, for "He best serves God who serves best his fellowman". She ever bears in mind the "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these * * * *", and does her work, though often difficult, all in the Master's name.

The work is great and the need is sore,
Shall we idly stand by the open door?

We rejoice that many have not been idle. Of the \$283,415 receipts last year in S. B. C., \$53,678 was given by the W. M. W. an increase of \$5,900. God be praised for this great work done by Southern Baptist women; and we trust, yea hope, that it will become greater and greater.

Advancement has been made in our own state also. But what about our Association? Is it not time that the noble women of the Cahoun Association came in closer touch with each

other in the Master's service, by having organization in His work. 'Sister, the Master hath need of thee'.

Why should we strive to do the work that is seemingly unpopular? Why should we continue to attend the meetings when there are so many who do not attend and who take no interest? Why do we try to work under apparently difficult circumstances? Jesus says we must, and we love to obey Him. Did he not do all for us? He, the pure and just came to earth and suffered poverty, shame and death, gave his life's blood that we might have life and have it more abundantly, that we through his poverty might become rich. When we see the thorn-crowned suffering Savior hanging upon the cross with a pathetic appealing look upon His face which seems to say, "I have borne all these things for thee, what hast thou done for me", are we not willing if we had a million lives to give them all to Him? It has been estimated that 50,000,000 people have died for Christ, and it is glorious to die for such a cause and blest is he who has the privilege. But it is just as great to live for Him and this we can all do.

Our little W. M. W. is still living and growing at Elam, and of this we are glad. We give this year for Missions \$15.00, Home uses \$2.50, visiting ministers \$2.50, Pastor's salary \$5.00, Amount in treasury \$20.00. There are other causes for which we shall do more next year than we have done this. One of them is one in which every mother will be especially interested—the Margaret Home for missionaries children. All who desire to learn about this Home may do so by consulting the August number of the Foreign Mission Journal.

Our membership is small and our gifts are small but this is not discouraging, for the Master doesn't despise small things. In fact it is the small gifts of which the cause stands now so greatly in need. It gets the large gifts but not the small, for many of us think it is so small it will not count. But we should remember that it all counts with Jesus.

"She hath done what she could," said the Master, "for me"
How tender and sweet was the word!

"And the deed she hath done her memorial shall be,
Wherever my gospel is heard".

"Oh, 'tis this that must try every deed that we do,
Ere Jesus pronounces it good;
Not the thing we have done but the love it may show,
And whether we've done what we could.

For the eye of the Master is on everyone,
Not a sigh or a struggle is lost,
And it is not the much or the little we bring,
But what has the offering cost,

Not the poor widow's mite, not the gold of the king,
Shall count of itself in the test;
'Twill not be the stamp of the coin that we bring,
But whether the gift is our best".

Adopted by Elam Church Sept. 2nd 1905.

Report on Prohibition.

The Liquor traffic continues to be a great evil and our attitude to break down the love of man for the degrading stuff still continues to be an absolute and uncompromising hostility.

Liquor can be and is used for some good purposes, while it is used much more by the young, and even some old and silvery headed men. The heads of families, who instead of raising their children up in the nurture and admonition of their blessed Lord, are teaching them to have a love and desire for the evil and degrading whiskey that has so often brought many families to degradation and poverty. It has wrung the hearts of many loving fathers, mothers and sisters to see the death by the influence of the intoxicating drink. Satan is at the head of all this, if it were not so there would not be so much of it, made and sold to the young and rising generation and those of riper ages. Liquor results in bringing many things, as ruined souls, broken hearts, broken homes and all manner of woe, want, wretchedness and death, to say nothing of the Almshouses, Asylums and Penitentiaries it helps to fill.

Liquor is and is looked upon as being disrespectful to any young or old man that deals with it. It will accomplish yet noth-

ing but will bring any one down to shame and degradation. We read the death of a poor wicked man who had dealed so long with whiskey and Satan had caused him to reject God so long that when he came to die he could see nothing but that dark shadow of death which nothing could hide but God. But he had waited too long. We read in the great and good book of books that if a person is prepared to meet death he can pass out of this life in mighty triumph. But what can be more terrible than the death of the wicked.

It is the duty of every christian man or woman to pray and interfere with the work of Satan in teaching so many the love and desire for the evil whiskey.

MATTIE FORD, For Old Town Church.

Mississippi College and Education.

Mississippi College at Clinton, under the management of the Baptist of the state, has achieved great success, and is thronged with students from this and other states. It is a thoroughly equipped institution. Its teachers realize that they must touch and arouse the moral sensibilities, strengthen the moral purposes of the soul, as well as develop and cultivate the representative and reflective powers. The education of the moral nature is of the greatest moment. This is the highest aim of the schools.

Mississippi college for the young men, and Blue Mountain college for the girls of Mississippi are the best institutions of the state. The highest aims of education are to attain virtue, to establish moral habits and to fortify individual character. There is something higher and better in life than the growth of wealth and the expansion of trade. Our schools should not be maintained to train pupils to make a living simply, but to give them broader ideas of life, so that they may have a desire to be of service to others, and to make the world happier and to leave it better than they found it.

Baptist all over the state should urge the patronage of our Baptist institutions. There are no more pious christian men

and women to be found than those composing the faculty of our schools. They are teachers who labor constantly and conscientiously for the true development and betterment of all pupils in their charge. Their reward may not be great in the goods of this world, as measured by material wealth, yet it will be great in the consciousness of life well spent and duty well performed. When life is ended they may with confidence face the great future, await the welcome plaudit, "Well done good and faithful servants, enter ye into the joy of your Lord."

HELLEN WORTHAW, } Committee.
ESTELLE SPEARMAN. }

Report on Pastoral Support.

We, your committee submit the following, that it is the duty of the church to pay her pastor. We believe that it is the duty of each member to pay to the support of the Pastor according to his or her ability. We believe the pastor should be paid monthly or at least quarterly. Brethren, Paul says the labourer is worthy of his hire, and if he is he should be paid as the work is done. We believe it is not only the duty of the church members to assist the Pastor with their means, but with their presence and prayers also.

Respectfully,

MACEDONIA CHURCH.

Report on Orphans Home.

The Baptist Orphanage located at Jackson is now eight years old and is successfully managed by the Superintendent and his wife, Bro. and Sister Carter.

On the 27th of last October, fire destroyed the "Muller House," one of its best wooden buildings valued at \$9,000, which was partially covered by \$2,000 insurance. Since that time a large 24 room brick building, together with a large dining room and chapel, has been built at a cost of nearly \$18,000, but it now owes \$6,500 on the building which will have to be paid this year. This will be when finished, one of the handsomest and best buildings in the State.

The farm connected with the Home and conducted by Bro. Jackson is a great source of help, not only in training up the boys to be useful men, but it is the means of raising revenue which will make it largely self-sustaining, as all the vegetables, corn, molasses etc., that they use are raised on it.

The Orphanage property is valued at about \$45,000.

The number of children in the Home has increased this year from 78 to 105.

It has received during the year 40 children and returned to mothers and near relatives 13.

While the directors and helpers are in every respect competent men and women, they need the help of the people throughout the State, their prayers and their means to carry out this grand and glorious work—caring for the orphan children. Every child costs about \$5.00 per month and as the number is increased it is very necessary that our contributions be increased. Let us, as Baptists, get up some method by which we can raise the necessary funds to carry on this great work and all other benevolent efforts which spreads Christ's gospel here on earth.

Respectfull submitted,

M.T. COMFORT CHURCH,

Report on Nominations.

We, your committee on nominations respectfully submit the following:

The next Association to meet with Antioch church, Calhoun county, Miss., four miles southeast of Banner on Wednesday after the 3rd Sunday in September, 1906. Introductory sermon by S. E. Wallace, J. F. McKibben alternate. We recommend G. W. Riley, J. F. McKibben and J. H. Gore for Executive board.

PROGRAM FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS.

Second 5th Sunday meeting to be held with church at Banner on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in Dec. 1905 at 10 o'clock A. M. Sermon by Rev. J. R. Sumner. Queries—1st. What are the duties of a church to its pastor?—M. D. L.

Howell to open. 2nd—What have been accomplished by Home and Foreign Missions?—G. W. Riley to open. 3rd—The Mission of a church.—J. H. Gore to open.

Third fifth Sunday meeting to be held with church at Meridian on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in April 1906 at 10 o'clock A. M. Sermon by G. W. Riley. Querries—1st. What are the prerequisites to church membership and the Lord's supper?—J. R. Sumner to open. 2nd—What has been the price of religious liberty as now enjoyed?—A. A. Bruner to open. Were the New Testament churches independent of each other? W. I. Ward to open

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Killingsworth,
J. F. McKibben,
Henry Seale, } Committee.

Treasurer's Report

Received for Missions From:—

Antioch church	\$10 35
Banner "	25 01
Concord "	20 00
Duncan Hill	10 00
Elam "	43 00
" Sunday School Or.	17 00
Hopewell (Yal.)	5 00
Mt Comfort	21 00
Mt. Moriah	3 25
Macedonia	33 80
Mt. Taber	13 10
Meridian	9 65
Midway	15 70
New Liberty	7 60
New Prospect	13 75
Old Town	15 00
Pine Grove	6 00
Poplar Springs	25 30

CALHOUN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

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Pleasant Grove	-	-	-	-	6 00
Pilgrim's Rest (Calhoun)	-	-	-	-	7 00
Pittsboro	-	-	-	-	35 90
Pittsboro W. M. W.	-	-	-	-	33 60
Pleasant Ridge	-	-	-	-	12 00
Spring Creek	-	-	-	-	5 15
Shiloh	-	-	-	-	20 00
Sarepta	-	-	-	-	39 80
Turkey Creek	-	-	-	-	16 75
Rocky Mount	-	-	-	-	5 00
Friendship	-	-	-	-	8 00
London Hill	-	-	-	-	7 00
Orphanage Collection:					
Providence collection	-	-	-	-	5 00
Taken at the Association	-	-	-	-	28 60
Collection at association for Bro. Gaines	-	-	-	-	8 25
J. D. Morgan	-	-	-	-	5 00
J. O. Ritch, balance on Minute fund of 1904	-	-	-	-	13 20
To Amt. paid Bro. J. F. McKibben					
for expense to convention:					
Concord church				\$3.10	
Old Town church				2 25	
Mt. Comfort church				1 80	
G. L. Ailington				1 00	
Meridian church				2 00	
Mt. Tabor church				1 50	
Gaston Springs church				1 25	
New Prospect church				2 50	
Pittsboro				2 00	
Total					17 40
Paid A. V. Rowe					21 00
" R. J. Willingham					59 75
" B. D. Gray					47 00
" J. R. Carter					119 00
Cash on hand S. M.					7 60
Cash on hand A. M.					50 85

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Cash on hand F. M.	41 25
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" " Disabled Ministers	19 55
" in hand General Missions	145 11
" in hand Minute Fund	13 20
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Respectfully submitted,

B. J. HASTING, Treasurer.



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